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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2012-0756]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Willamette River,

Portland, OR

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs The Broadway Bridge, mile 11.7, across the Willamette River at Portland, OR. This deviation is necessary to accommodate the 2012 Pints to Pasta foot race event. This deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed position to allow safe movement of event participants.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 8 a.m. September 9, 2012 through 9 a.m. September 9, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG-2012-0756 and are available online by going to

http://www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG-2012-0756 in the "Keyword" box and then clicking "Search." They are also

available for inspection or copying at the Docket

Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of

Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140,

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9

a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal

holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or e-mail the Bridge Administrator, Coast Guard Thirteenth District; telephone 206-220-7282 e-mail randall.d.overton@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Multnomah County has requested a temporary deviation from the operating schedule for the Broadway Bridge, mile 11.7, crossing the Willamette River at Portland, OR. The requested deviation is to accommodate the Pints to Pasta event. The Broadway Bridge crosses the Willamette River at mile 11.7 and provides 90 feet of vertical clearance above Columbia River Datum 0.0 while in the closed position. Vessels which do not require a bridge opening may continue to transit beneath this bridge during the closure period. Under normal conditions this bridge operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.897 which allows for the bridge to remain closed between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. and 4

p.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. This deviation

period is from 8 a.m. on September 9, 2012 through 9 a.m.

September 9, 2012. The deviation allows the Broadway Bridge across the Willamette River, mile 11.7, to remain in the closed position and need not open for maritime traffic from 8 a.m. through 9 a.m. on September 9, 2012. The bridge shall operate in accordance to 33 CFR 117.897 at all other times. Waterway usage on this stretch of the Willamette River includes vessels ranging from commercial tug and barge to small pleasure craft. Mariners will be notified and kept informed of the bridge's operational status via the Coast Guard Notice to Mariners publication and Broadcast Notice to Mariners as appropriate. The bridges will be required to open, if needed, for vessels engaged in emergency response operations during this closure period.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the designated time period. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: August 1, 2012 RANDALL D. OVERTON
Bridge Administrator

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